Chairman Mao, the Supreme Leader

When he was hospitalized in July with viral pneumonia and was running a fever of 102°, he was still working hard on his hospital bed, running the world.

With so elevated a fever, nobody should be making any kind of important decision. Nor was there any special urgency.

One of the little noted items is that he carried — totally unaided on the removal of the TV set from his hospital bedroom.

Nice symbolism. Could he not just have ignored it — let it remain turned off? He can't stand what it shows. He hates those showing what it shows.

The tube is the symbol of opposition.

He is the one exposed.

He can't stand it